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Ossian Hall Park Ribbon Cutting, Clean-up And Concert Set

There is growing excitement as the dedication of the newly improved Ossian Hall Park in Annandale draws nearer. The community is working hand-in-hand with officials, park staff and community leaders to complete the project details, to hold a community clean-up, to celebrate the opening with ribbon cutting ceremonies, and to begin a new community concert series featuring music from around the world.

The Fairfax County Park Authority Community Connections and the Planning and Development Division are collaborating on an Ossian Hall Park Cleanup Day. Already participating are Annandale High School National Honor Society, the Virginia Justice Center, and the Ravensworth-Bristow Civic Association, all of whom are providing volunteer labor. The cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, June 2, starting 8a.m. at Ossian Hall Park.

Ribbon cutting ceremonies are scheduled for Thursday, June 7, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. The ceremony is the kick-off for the new concert series and also serves as a celebration of the completion of Phase I renovations at the park. Renovations to date include new signage, removal of dead trees, rail improvements as well as ADA compliance measures.

This summer, Ossian Hall is the site of a series of festival-style cultural heritage concerts. "Explore the World in Your Community" features international music, dance, crafts and food, including Bolivian, Salvadoran, Mexican, Korean, Russian, Vietnamese, Peruvian and traditional American traditions. Concerts are scheduled each Thursday night, June through August, from 7 to 9 p.m.

For more information about the clean-up contact Ricardo Cabellos at 703-324-8730. For information about the project or ribbon cutting ceremony contact the Public Information Office at 703-324-8662.

Ossian Hall Park is located at 7900 Heritage drive in Annandale, adjacent to Annandale High School.

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